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SUBJECT: PRAVDA EDITORIAL ON SSOD

1. PRAVDA JULY 21 PUBLISHES A FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL
ON THE UNGA'S SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT.
THE EDITORIAL REVIEWS THE MAIN DISARMAMENT ELEMENTS
OF BREZHNEV'S KOMSOMOL SPEECH OF APRIL 25 AND
GIVES THE IMPRESSION THAT SOVIET POSITIONS AND
PROPOSALS PLAYED A GREAT ROLE AT THE SSOD. IT
NOTES THAT THE SPECIAL SESSION CALLED FOR THE RAPID
CONCLUSION OF A SALT-II AGREEMENT, REPEATS THE
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CALL FOR A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE, AND
CONDEMNS "THE FORCES OF IMPERIALISM" (INCLUDING
NATO) AS WELL AS CHINA FOR THEIR OPPOSITION TO
DISARMAMENT. NO MENTION IS MADE OF DISARMAMENT
MACHINERY.

2. COMMENT: PERHAPS THE MOST NOTABLE ASPECTS

OF THIS EDITORIAL ARE ITS APPEARANCE A FULL THREE
WEEKS AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE SSOD AND ITS
FAILURE TO DEAL WITH THE QUESTION OF DISARMAMENT
MACHINERY. ALL IN ALL, THE EDITORIAL GIVES THE
IMPRESSION OF TEPID ENTHUSIASM AT BEST OVER THE
RESULTS OF THE SSOD. MATLOCK

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